



Sharon United Methodist Church

Jeanne Murray, Pastor

Sunday, July 19, 2026 – 11:00 AM

**Love Boldly
Serve Joyfully
Lead Courageously**



Bringing in the Light of Christ		Marshall Cherry
Words of Welcome and Announcements		Jeanne Murray
Prelude		Anita Cotton
Opening Prayer		
*Call to Worship		Julie Cherry
Leader:	Welcome Holy Spirit, Lord of Life and Light. Dawn in us your power and peacemaking.	
People:	Hallelujah! Help us shine!	
Leader:	You bathe us in the light of your grace, that we may be grace. You fill us with the light of your truth, that we may be truth. You flood us with the light of your love, that we may be love.	
People:	Hallelujah! Help us shine!	
Leader:	Sharing your light, Spreading your light,	
People:	Hallelujah! Help us shine!	
*Hymn of Praise	"Lord, I Lift Your Name on High"	CH 107
Scripture Reading	Psalm 36:5-9	Julie Cherry
Children's Message		
Sharing our Celebrations and Concerns		
Pastoral Prayer and The Lord's Prayer		
Anthem	"Over My Head"	Choir
Sharing our Tithes and Offerings		
Offertory		
*Doxology		
	Praise God from whom all blessings flow. Praise Him, all creatures here below.	
	Praise Him above, ye heavenly host. Praise Father, Son, and Holy Ghost. Amen.	
*Prayer of Thanksgiving		
*Hymn of Preparation	"Thy Word"	CH 184
	Sermon Series: "Sermon on the Mount" Matthew 5-7	
Scripture Lesson	Matthew 5:13-16	
Sermon	"Salt and Light"	
*Closing Hymn	"Send the Light"	CH 437
*Taking the Light of Christ into the World		
*Benediction		
*Sending Forth	"The Bond of Love"	On Screen / CH 423
*Postlude		Anita Cotton

(*) Please stand as you are able

CALENDAR OF EVENTS AND CELEBRATIONS

Sun. July 19	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship
Mon. July 20	7:00 pm – Finance Zoom Meeting Happy Birthday to Bob Kirk
Wed. July 22	CANCELED - 10:00 am – Pastor's Office Hours (Learning Center) 7:00 pm – Church Council Zoom Meeting Happy Birthday to Chris Bray
Thurs. July 23	7:30 am – Seekers Bible Study (Facilitated by Jeanne Murray)
Fri. July 24	Happy Birthday to Don Austin Happy Birthday to Linda Kimble Happy Birthday to Sharon Meeks
Sun. July 26	9:45 am – Christian Journey Class 10:00 am – Bryan Morris Class 11:00 am – Worship 12:15 pm – Choir Practice

WORSHIP TEAMS

JULY 19

Acolyte: Marshall Cherry
Greeters: Linda Kimble & Patricia Leary
Worship Leader: Julie Cherry
Ushers: Sylvia Kirk & Diane Forbes
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Donna Steigelman
Trustee: Bob Gadkowski

JULY 26

Acolyte: Kamryn Young
Greeters: Marshall & Julie Cherry
Worship Leader: Jason Forbes
Ushers: Bob Gadkowski & Marshall Cherry
Flowers: OPEN
Counters: Sylvia Kirk & Barbara Gadkowski
Trustee: Bob Gadkowski

UPCOMING EVENTS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

- **Help needed with food for Vacation Bible School** – We are going to need some help with food for VBS. If you are able to bring desserts for any night or bags of ice, please let Jeanne Murray know. We may be feeding approximately 30 people, lots of them kids, so cupcakes, cookies, etc. would be great. Thanks for your help!
- **Vacation Bible School - July 27-30, 5:30 - 8:00 pm** – Sharon UMC will again be hosting Vacation Bible School for Grades K-5! Dinner will be provided at 5:30 pm. Children will be offered Music, Crafts, and a fun Bible Story each night. Volunteers are needed in all areas; materials will be provided. For more information, contact Anita Cotton at anitacotton@hotmail.com or (757) 286-0862. SPREAD THE WORD!
- **Art for the Heart, Thursday, August 13, 2:00 pm, Fellowship Hall** – Need a mental health break? Join us on August 13th for Art for the Heart, a mental health initiative. LaWanda Anderson will be connecting the subject of mental health by using art and color therapy as well as physical movement. Susan Lee, from Saving Lives Task Force, will share a brief presentation about mental health issues. **To help us plan, please RSVP by August 1st by emailing, texting or calling Jeanne Murray at jeannemurray@gmail.com or (252) 423-0851.**
- **Art Fund Silent Auction** – At Sharon UMC local artists/crafters donate items to be used for our silent auction. Each month new artwork will be available for bidding. Proceeds go into an art fund to be used as needed for the ministries of the church. See Lee Hein or Jeanne Murray if you have questions or if you would like to donate your artwork for our silent auction.
- **Recorded Worship Services** – Each week the recorded Worship Service is posted to our YouTube Channel. If you missed a service or would like to watch past services, you can visit our YouTube Channel at www.youtube.com/@sharonumcpoplarbranchnc9028.
- **Online Giving** – You can donate by scanning the QR Code below.

FINANCES OF THE CHURCH

2026 Monthly Budget \$6,030.25	Received Last Month (June) \$9,188.77	Received Last Sunday \$1,095.00	
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